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In re Patent Application of

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For: PROCESS FOR PREPARING A FOOD PRODUCT USING DEPOLYMERISED

PECTIN AS STABILISER

July 14, 2009

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST

The Examiner is requested to return a completely-initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form bearing the OIPE date-stamped of July 14, 2006. Specifically, page 1 of the PTO-1449 Form filed July 14, 2006, and returned with the Office Action of July 6, 2009, does not include the Examiner's initials next to references WO 97/03574 and Yamaguchi et al, Biosci. Biotech. Biochem, 58(4), 1994, 679-682 and page 2 of the PTO-1449 Form does not include the Examiner's initials next to reference Michel et al, Journal of Food Science, Vol. 50 (1985) 1499-1502. The entirety of the PTO-1449 Form has been signed by the Examiner on October 29, 2008, and the other references indicated as having been specifically considered by initialing next to each of the references. The above-noted three references however do not include in the left-hand column the Examiner's initials. A completely-initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form, pursuant to MPEP § 609, is requested.

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The present paper is not being filed in response to the Office Action of July 6,

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Respectfully submitted,

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